NOTICE OF A CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A GRADE SEPARATION AT SUGAR CREEK ROAD (SR 2975) AND THE NORTH CAROLINA / NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD; AND THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE CRAIGHEAD ROAD AT-GRADE RAILROAD CROSSING IN CHARLOTTE

TIP Project No. U-5008

Mecklenburg County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold a Citizens Informational Workshop for the above-mentioned railroad project on Thursday, August 12, 2010, beginning at 5:00 p.m. and ending at 7:00 p.m. at the Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church (Fellowship Hall) located at 101 Sugar Creek Road West, Charlotte, NC 28213.

NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal setting to answer questions and receive comments about the proposed project. The opportunity to submit written comments and/or questions will also be provided and are encouraged. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. <u>Please note</u>: there will be no formal presentation.

NCDOT proposes to construct a grade-separation (bridge) at the existing Sugar Creek Road (SR 2975) and North Carolina / Norfolk Southern railroad crossing, by depressing Sugar Creek Road underneath the railroad. Re-surfacing and grading work will begin just north of the intersection of Sugar Creek Road and The Plaza, extending under the railroad, and ending just south of the Sugar Creek Road / North Tryon Road intersection. In addition to the proposed grade-separation at Sugar Creek Road, NCDOT proposes to permanently close the Craighead Road at-grade railroad crossing, as part of this project.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Ryan White, PE, Environmental & Planning Branch, Rail Division at (919) 715-6684 or email: rlwhite@ncdot.gov or Andrea Dvorak-Grantz, Stantec Consultants, phone: (919) 851-7308 or email: andrea.dvorakgrantz@stantec.com.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. White as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.